

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: ANTIBODIES FOR INHIBITING BLOOD  
COAGULATION AND METHODS OF USE  
THEREOF

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Examiner: X. Xie

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated February 4, 2009 (Paper No. 20090116), for which a response is due on May 4, 2009. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a 2 month(s) extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to July 4, 2009. Under 37 CFR 1.7(a), when the day, or the last day fixed by statute or by or under this part for taking any action or paying any fee in the United States Patent and Trademark Office falls on Saturday, Sunday, or on a Federal holiday within the District of Columbia, the action may be taken, or the fee paid, on the next succeeding business day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or a Federal holiday. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.